

## Message

**From:** Acheson, Carolyn [Acheson.Carolyn@epa.gov]  
**Sent:** 11/20/2017 3:00:26 PM  
**To:** Berkoff, Michael [berkoff.michael@epa.gov]; McKernan, John [McKernan.John@epa.gov]; Barth, Edwin [Barth.Ed@epa.gov]  
**CC:** Gervais, Gregory [Gervais.Gregory@epa.gov]; Gilbert, Edward [Gilbert.Edward@epa.gov]  
**Subject:** RE: Tannery Sites

Hi Michael,

Happy to help on this site. I am trying to get more information about leather tanning PFAS products.

I have heard hallway gossip about anthrax at leather tanneries. (Like you needed something else to worry about) Gossip is probably the right description - not sure that I would put much faith in it. Maybe the take home message is to consider the full range of products on such a site as you think about it.

Best wishes,  
 Carolyn

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**From:** Berkoff, Michael  
**Sent:** Friday, November 17, 2017 9:31 AM  
**To:** McKernan, John <McKernan.John@epa.gov>; Barth, Edwin <Barth.Ed@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Gervais, Gregory <Gervais.Gregory@epa.gov>; Gilbert, Edward <Gilbert.Edward@epa.gov>; Acheson, Carolyn <Acheson.Carolyn@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: Tannery Sites

Thank you guys. I got the site yesterday, so I will get operations information today and then get in touch with the Eds.  
 Thank you,  
 Michael

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**From:** McKernan, John  
**Sent:** Friday, November 17, 2017 8:29 AM  
**To:** Barth, Edwin <Barth.Ed@epa.gov>  
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**Subject:** FW: Tannery Sites

Hi Ed-

Michael (in R5) has a request about tanneries! I know you have worked on these in the N.E. Can you provide some assistance to him?

Thanks,

John

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**From:** Gervais, Gregory  
**Sent:** Friday, November 17, 2017 8:37 AM  
**To:** Berkoff, Michael <berkoff.michael@epa.gov>

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**Subject:** Re: Tannery Sites

Michael - Sadly no Marvel connection to your site. Ed Gilbert (acting TAB branch chief) should be able to help you get what you need. Site history, especially operations dates, will be a key to determining which contaminants and processes were used and disposed. I've copied him, and his number is 703-603-8883. Thanks!

Greg Gervais  
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**Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy**

On Nov 16, 2017, at 5:08 PM, Berkoff, Michael <berkoff.michael@epa.gov> wrote:

All,

I hope that this email finds all of you well. I was just assigned to a new not-at-this-point-an-EPA-Site site, Wolverine (I was bummed to hear that the contaminant of concern is not adamantium). I am trying to get up to speed on tannery sites. Do you guys know of any experts on tanneries? I am interested in finding out what kinds of Hazardous Substances we should expect to find at those kinds of sites (not just the PFOA and PFOS).

Thanks,  
Michael

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